AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-204, relative to student membership on the Tennessee Higher Education Commission.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-204(a)(1), is amended by deleting the word and figure "nine (9)" and substituting the word and figure "ten (10)".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-204(a)(1), is further amended by deleting the last sentence and substituting the following:

One (1) student member shall be a voting member and one (1) student member shall be an ex-officio, non-voting member.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-204(c)(1), is amended by deleting the words "non-voting" and "annually" in the first sentence thereof.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-204(c)(2), is amended by deleting the words and figure "one (1) year" and substituting the words and figure "two (2) years".

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-204(d)(1), is amended by deleting the words "non-voting" and "annually" in the first sentence thereof.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-204(d)(1), is further amended by deleting the words and figure "one (1) year" and substituting the words and figure "two (2) years".

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-204(d)(2)(A), is amended by deleting the dates "1996", "1997", and "1998" and by substituting, respectively, the dates "1997", "1999", and "2001".

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-204(d)(2), is amended by deleting the word "annual" and substituting the word "biennial".

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-204(a)(1), is further amended by adding the following at the end thereof:

The student appointed pursuant to subdivision (d)(2)(A) will be the first voting student member for a term of one (1) year, followed by the student member appointed pursuant to subdivision (c)(2) who shall serve a term of one (1) year as a voting member. Thereafter, the voting student membership shall be rotated between the student representing the University of Tennessee system and the student representing the board of regents system, it being the legislative intent that a student member serve one (1) year as a non-voting, ex-officio member before becoming a voting member, and that the voting position rotate between representatives of the two systems.

SECTION 10. For purposes of making nominations or taking other administrative actions, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, the act shall take effect July 1, 1996, the public welfare requiring it.

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